

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

In the Matter of:

GLENN P. ZAEPFEL, Ph.D.

License # 485

Respondent.

CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the State Board of Examiners in Psychology in South Carolina (the Board) and the above-named Respondent, the following disposition of this matter is entered pursuant to the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. §1-23-320(f) (Supp. 1999) of the South Carolina Administrative Procedures Act:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent admits that he is licensed to practice psychology in the State of South Carolina and was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case.
2. During the approximate February 1998, Respondent acted unethically as alleged in the Formal Accusation dated November 17, 2000, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1.
3. Respondent waives any further findings of fact with respect to this matter.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW


1. Respondent admits that the Board could conclude that the conduct in this matter is sufficient grounds for disciplinary or corrective action under §§ 40-55-150 and 40-55-160 (Supp. 1999). Respondent hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to this matter.
2. Respondent has full knowledge that he has the right to a hearing, service of a Formal Accusation, at least thirty days notice of the hearing, and to be represented by counsel in this matter. Respondent freely, knowingly, and voluntarily waives such rights by entering into this Consent Order. Respondent understands and agrees that by entering into this Consent Order, he voluntarily relinquishes any right to judicial review of Board action(s) which may be taken concerning any related matters. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order will not become effective unless and until approved by the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that a representative of the General Counsel's Office may be present during presentation of this Consent Order to the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that if this Consent Order is not approved, shall not constitute an admission against interest in this proceeding or prejudice the right of the Board to adjudicate this matter.

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THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED WITH RESPONDENT'S CONSENT THAT:

1. Respondent is hereby issued a public reprimand.
2. Respondent shall enroll in and complete forty (40) hours of approved continuing education in ethics within eighteen months of the effective date of this agreement. Such courses must contain face to face instruction, and be pre-approved by the Board. The requirements of this paragraph shall not be included in statutory continuing education requirements for renewal. The Respondent will be required to appear before the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting after eighteen months of the effective date of this agreement to discuss the said courses and their content.
3. Respondent shall pay a fine of One Thousand (\$1000.00) Dollars. Said fine is due at such time as this Order is submitted to the full Board for approval. Payment must be made in the form of a cashier's check, money order, or other good funds. Failure to pay the said fine shall result in the immediate temporary suspension of Respondent's license to practice psychology in this State.
4. Respondent understands that failure to comply with the letter, intent, or spirit of this Consent Order shall result in the immediate suspension of his license to practice psychology in the State of South Carolina pending a hearing into the matter and until further order of the Board.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.Effective Sept, 21, 2001STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN
PSYCHOLOGY
DAVID E. BARRETT, Ph.D.
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**WE CONSENT:**
GLENN P. ZAEPFEL, Ph.D.
RESPONDENT
WITNESS OR ATTORNEY7/19/01
Date7/19/01
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* See attached document of 7/18/01.

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FORMAL ACCUSATION

1. Respondent is currently licensed by the South Carolina State Board of Psychology Examiners ("Board"), License No. 485, originally issued on March 31, 1990, and renewed annually thereafter.

2. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter.

3. Respondent entered into a therapeutic relationship with M.M.; subsequently, Respondent entered into a therapeutic relationship with T.M. (Respondent is aware of the names of the said clients) Respondent provided psychological services to this couple related to marital issues. During the period of February 1998, Respondent acted wrongfully and unethically in the practice of psychology as evidenced by his improper relationship with his client T.M. Respondent's improper conduct included, but is not limited to planning a business relationship, sending letters, telephoning, and entering into an agreement. During a portion of this period, Respondent received compensation for psychological services provided to this client. Respondent's conduct as set forth herein violates S.C. Code of Laws Ann. § 40-55-150(A) (8) (Supp. 1997) and South Carolina Regulations No. 100-4(D)(2) and (3)(a)(iii) (Supp. 1997).

PURSUANT to S.C. Code Ann. §§ 40-55-130 through 40-55-160 (Supp. 1999), the Board has the authority to revoke or suspend your license to practice psychology, or to take actions short of a total revocation such as entering into a consent agreement with the licensee requiring additional training, supervision, or restrictions subject to the Board's satisfaction that the licensee has demonstrated adequate professional competence. **TAKE NOTICE THAT**

- a. You are entitled to an opportunity to be heard with respect to the charges.
- b. Hearings are held in accordance with the South Carolina Administrative Procedure Act, as set forth in S.C. Code Ann. §§ 1-23-310 through 1-23-400. Your procedural rights are contained therein. You have such rights as: (1) to present evidence; (2) to present argument on all issues; (3) to retain counsel; (4) and to cross examine witnesses presented in the case of a hearing. Additional rights are set out within the said section of the S.C. Code.

STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINERS

BY: David E. Barrett
DAVID E. BARRETT, Ph.D.
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

November Nov. 17, 2000.